61. The museum was visited by 454,524 persons as against 315,099 in the previous year. About 200 specimens were added to the collection. *Government Museum.*

7.—LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

62. Municipal councils were authorised to sanction refunds of municipal revenue. Definite instructions were laid down for the guidance of municipal councillors for properly auditing municipal accounts. In non-regulation municipalities, the levy of cart tax under the Mohatarfa rules was extended to springed carriages and motor vehicles. With a view to accumulate funds for the execution of the water supply of the Tumkur and Tiptur towns, the municipal bodies have invested Rs. 20,000 and Rs. 25,000 respectively out of the funds at their disposal as fixed deposits in the Mysore Bank. *Municipalities.*

63. The amount available for expenditure under this head including the opening balance of Rs. 3,52,002 was Rs. 5,29,427 of which a sum of Rs. 1,31,773 was spent, leaving a balance of Rs. 3,97,654 at the end of the year. *Local Funds General.*

64. In view of the increase in the number of works which the Trust Board was required to undertake in accordance with the sanctioned programme, the limit of annual expenditure was raised from 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs of rupees. The grant for the year 1915-16 was specially supplemented by Rs. 34,000. One hundred and ninety-one properties were acquired during the year. A few model houses were built departmentally on a commercial basis and some of them were sold to the public. *Mysore City Improvement Trust Board.*

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